

## Indiana Department of Environmental Management Office of Water Quality Wetlands Section

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

**IDEM ID Number:** 2008-516-64-SJM-A

Corps of Engineers ID Number: LRE-1994-1640161

Closing Date: November 6, 2008

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for Section 401 Water Quality Certification by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

1. Applicant:

Mr. Paul Shinn

Red Fish Development, LLC.

P.O. Box 2412

Chesterton, Indiana 46304

2. Agent:

Mr. John McQuestion

Soil Solutions, Inc.

308 East 316 North

Valparaiso, Indiana 46383

3. Project location:

SE 1/4 of Section 11, Township 36 North, Range 6 West of the Chesterton U.S.G.S. Quadrangle.

Take SR 49 north to CR 1100 N, go west to CR 50 W, go south to CR 1050 N. Project is located at southeast

corner of CR 1050 N and CR 50 W.

4. Affected waterbody:

Wetlands

5. Project Description:

Applicant proposes the following impacts to wetlands: discharge of clean fill material to 0.393 acre emergent wetland & 0.599 acre forested wetland for a total of 0.991 acre of impact. Utilities will be installed by directional boring & construction staging areas will be located in upland areas. Mitigation for the loss of wetland is proposed in the form of purchasing 1.49 acres of credit from Lake Station Mitigation Bank and permanent preservation of 50.7 acres of wetland and 4.4 acres of upland forest on-site. The purpose of this project is to develop a new residential subdivision served by municipal sewer and water from the town of Chesterton.

Comment period:

Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

**Public Hearing:** 

Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

**Ouestions?** 

Additional information may be obtained from Ms. Sarah McKeown, Project Manager, at 317-234-6351. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

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